

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the District</i>	<i>No. of post offices opened</i>
1	2	3
18.	Sikar	1
19.	Sriganganagar	23
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Power Generation in Tribal Dominated and Hilly Areas

4070. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are laying special emphasis on power generation in tribal dominated and hilly areas (Jharkhand region) of Bihar, that could be increasing the power generation according to requirement; and

(b) if so, the year-wise details of the action taken so far since 1989 with regard to the development of thermal power stations and development of other non-conventional energy sources?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The power supply to various areas in State of Bihar falls under the distribution system of the State and is the prerogative of State Government/SEB. State is provided its due share from Eastern Region as well as assistance from Northern Region as a special case. Various other measures being taken to increase the availability of power in Bihar include maximising generation from existing generating stations,

implementation of Renovation and Modernisation Programme, reduction in Transmission and Distribution losses, effective load management and energy conservation etc.

(b) DVC has set up two thermal power stations in Bihar since 1989. DVC Maithon Gas Turbine of 9.0 MW capacity was commissioned in March, 1989 and Bokaro B unit 2 of 210 MW was commissioned in November, 1990.

[English]

U.K. Refuse to Finance Rihand II Power Project

4071. SHRI MOHAN SINGH:
SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:
SHRI NITISH KUMAR:
SHRI PIUS TIRKEY:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that U.K. Government's decision to go back on its commitment to finance Rihand II Power Project has put it in jeopardy; and